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TAGS: CGEN, APER, ABUD, CFED, CPAS, BU
SUBJECT: FY 1979 CONSULAR PACKAGE -- SOFIA, BULGARIA

REF: STATE 087841

THE FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY SOFIA'S FY 1979 CONSULAR PACKAGE.
THE INFORMATION REQUESTED IN REF IS KEYED TO REF SCHEDULE
AND ENTRY NUMBERS:
FY-1976 FY-1977 FY-1978 FY-1979

SCHEDULE I - IMMIGRANT VISAS

EUR/EE

SOFIA, BULGARIA

1.	16	35	30	30
2.	0	0	0	0
3.	16	35	30	30
4.	408	800	750	750
5.	90	200	100	100
6.	0	0	0	0
7.	498	1000	850	850
8.	383	1400	1200	1200
9.	0	0	0	0

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10.	0	0	0	0
11.	383	1400	1200	1200
12.	881	2400	2050	2050
13.	100	100	100	100

(NOTE: ALL IV APPLICANTS REQUIRE INTERPRETER ASSISTANCE
WITH FORMS AND PROCESSING.)

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14. 13.3 20 20 20

SCHEDULE II - NON-IMMIGRANT VISAS

15. 688 750 825 900
16. 243 250 280 320
17. 931 1000 1105 1220
18. 381 380 400 450
19. 138 180 190 200
20. 0 0 0 0
21. 519 560 590 650
22. 977 1000 1200 1300
23. 0 0 0 0
24. 0 0 0 0
25. 977 1000 1200 1300
26. 1496 1560 1790 1950
27. $795.10
28. 0
29. 5
30. 225
31. 10 10 10 10
32. 1 1 1 1
33. 6.23 4.5 5 5

SCHEDULE III - SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES

34. 13 12 13 14
35. 15 12 15 17

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36. 418 500 550 600
37. 32 50 60 70
38. 1 1 1 1
39. 5 5 6 7
40. 980 1400 1500 1600
41. 1464 1980 2145 2309
42. 600 750 800 875
43. 0 0 0 0
44. 0 0 0 0
45. 600 750 800 875
46. 840 1000 1250 1500
47. 0 0 0 0
48. 0 0 0 0
49. 840 1000 1250 1500
50. 1440 1750 2050 2375
51. 2892

(REMARKS: A. NOTARIAL FEES COLLECTED FY-76 - $778.20

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B. OVERFLIGHTS CLEARED FY-76 - 128

C. OVERFLIGHTS CLEARED ESTIMATED FY-77 - 180

SCHEDULE IV - CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORT SERVICES

52.	16	40	30	32
53.	0	0	0	0
54.	15	38	28	30
55.	0	0	0	0
56.	2	4	5	5
57.	12	12	12	12
58.	0	0	0	0
59.	0	1	0	0
60.	0	0	0	0
61.	45	94	75	79
62.	1	1	1	1

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63.	46	95	76	80
64.	348	400	350	350
65.	0	0	0	0
66.	0	0	0	0
67.	348	400	350	350
68.	413	400	400	400
69.	0	0	0	0
70.	0	0	0	0
71.	413	400	400	400
72.	761	800	750	750
73.	72			
74.	43			
75.	90			

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SCHEDULE V - CONDITIONS AND JUSTIFICATIONS

HOURS GAINED	AMERICAN	LOCAL
OVERTIME	0	46
DETAILS IN	0	0

HOURS LOST

DETAILS OUT	0	0
STAFFING GAPS	0	0
PROLONGED LEAVE	0	0

AMERICANS:	GENERAL	TOTAL
76.	1	1
77.	1	1
78.	1	1

INCREASE/DECREASE:

79. NONE.
80. NONE.

LOCALS:	GENERAL	TOTAL

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81.	2	2
82.	2	2
83.	2	2

INCREASE/DECREASE:

84. NONE.
85. NONE.

(REMARKS: CONSULAR SECTION SHARED ONE FSL EMPLOYEE WITH EMBASSY ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION UNDER NOVEMBER 1, 1976, WHEN EMPLOYEE ASSIGNED FULL-TIME TO CONSULAR SECTION.)

SCHEDULE VI - FEDERAL BENEFITS, FRAUD, ETC.

A. FEDERAL BENEFIT ACTIVITY

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NUMBER OF SSA REIMBURSED

AMERICAN - NONE LOCAL - NONE

HOURS WORKED BY OCCUPANTS OF THESE POSITIONS - N/A
HOURS WORKED BY REGULAR (NONREIMBURSED) CONSULAR EMPLOYEES
ON FEDERAL BENEFITS:

AMERICAN - 140 LOCAL - 600

B. FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS

NOT DONE. (REMARKS: BULGARIAN GOVERNMENT EXERCISES SUCH
STRICT CONTROLS ON VISA APPLICANTS THROUGH RIGID APPLICATION
PROCEDURES REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A PASSPORT AND EXIT PERMIT
THAT VISA FRAUD IS NON-EXISTENT BY BULGARIAN CITIZENS IN
BULGARIA.)

NO MANHOURS ALLOCATED BY CONSULAR SECTION FOR FRAUD INVESTI-
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GATIONS.

OF CASES INVESTIGATED PERCENT FINALLY ISSUED:

1. VISAS - N/A
2. PASSPORTS - N/A

C. U.S. CITIZENS IN JAIL 3/31/77: NONE.

D. SERVICES FOR INS

1. RE-ENTRY PERMIT EXTENSION: 9
2. I-151 CARDS SURRENDERED: 0
3. I-151 CARD INTERVIEWS - LOST OR STOLEN: 0

E. LOSS OF NATIONALITY CASES: 0

F. FOUND PASSPORT CASES PROCESSED: 0

G. CONSULAR AGENTS: NONE

H. CONSULAR STAFFING PATTERN, SOFIA, BULGARIA:

AMERICAN:
CONSULAR OFFICER - FSR 5/3

LOCAL:
SENIOR CONSULAR ASSISTANT - FSLE 1/5
CONSULAR ASSISTANT - FSLE 4/5

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I. EMBASSY HAS CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY MAKING PROJECTIONS
ON IV AND NIV ISSUANCE AS THE INCREASES NOTED OVER FY-76
AND CONTINUING INTO FY-77 ARE A DIRECT RESULT OF A DECISION
BY THE GOVERNMENT OF BULGARIA TO COMPLY WITH THE THE FINAL ACT
OF HELSINKI. AT THIS TIME, EMBASSY CANNOT GUAGE OR PREDICT
THE GOB'S COMMITMENT TO CONTINUED, LONG TERM IMPLEMENTATION
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OF THE CURRENT EASING OF TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS ON BULGARIAN
CITIZENS WISHING TO VISIT OR BE REUNITED WITH FAMILY MEMBERS
RESIDENT IN THE US. THE EMBASSY IS IN RECEIPT OF AN EVER
INCREASING NUMBER OF LETTERS AND DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE
TRAVEL OF BULGARIAN CITIZEN RELATIVES OF AMERICAN CITIZENS.

AS THE EMBASSY HAS CITED IN EARLIER REPORTING, THE
HANDLING OF THE DIVIDED FAMILIES CASES IN BULGARIA, MANY
OF WHICH ARE OF LONG STANDING, REQUIRES CONSIDERABLE ASSISTANCE
TO BOTH THE BULGARIAN APPLICANT AND THE AMERICAN CITIZEN
SPONSOR. A CONTINUING PROBLEM IS THE BELIEF OF THE
AMERICAN CITIZEN SPONSOR THAT THE GOB WILL CONSIDER "VISITS"
BY THEIR RELATIVES MORE FAVORABLY THAN REQUESTS FOR
"EMIGRATION". THUS, THE SPONSOR TYPICALLY DOES NOT COMPLY
WITH US LAW BY PROCESSING AN IV PETITION WITH INS. GENERALLY,
THE EMBASSY ATTEMPTS TO INFORM AND ADVISE SPONSORS OF THE
NEED TO COMPLY WITH US LAW, REGARDLESS OF THE REASON GIVEN
THE GOB FOR THE BULGARIAN CITIZEN'S TRAVEL. THIS BURDEN ON
THE EMBASSY BECOMES PARTICULARLY ONEROUS WHEN WE LEARN FROM
AN APPLICANT, AFTER THE GOB PASSPORT HAS BEEN APPROVED, THAT
THE PURPOSE OF TRAVEL IS "IMMIGRATION" AND NOT FOR A "VISIT"
AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENTS PROVIDED BY THE SPONSOR FOR
PROCESSING WITH THE GOB.

THUS, OUR FIGURES ARE NOT HIGH, BUT THE NUMBER OF HOURS
EXPENDED IN PREPARING CASES WITH THE GOB AND ADVISING
APPLICANTS IS SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER THAN IN "NORMAL" PROCESSING.
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